

House Resolution No. 3962

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has dutifully served his country in the United States Navy; and

Whereas, Ed Chittim, a treasured resident of Republic, Missouri, is to be commended for his contributions to the United States Navy Seabees, 93rd Battalion; and

Whereas, a World War II veteran, Ed Chittim served as a bulldozer operator with the 93rd United States Naval Construction Battalion, Company D, Platoon 4, during which time he helped build roads, warehouses, and storage buildings, and improve dock facilities on Banika Island; and

Whereas, while in New Zealand, Ed Chittim helped build more camps, roads, airstrips, fuel ammunition dumps, warehouses, communication lines, hospitals, and mess halls; and

Whereas, a son of Simpson and Pearl Dink Chittim, Ed Chittim spent eighteen months overseas in dense jungles with the enemy; and

Whereas, an avid gardener for many years, Ed Chittim has compiled an enviable list of service to such important organizations as the Operators Engineers 16th Union and the Masons; and

Whereas, Ed Chittim has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, the late Andrea Langford Chittim; his two daughters Linda Bell of Republic and Teresa Dixon of Fort Worth, Florida; his son-in-law, Gary Bell; his five grandchildren, Aaron, Tracy, David, Ryan, and Kristina; and his seven great-grandchildren, Allen, Amanda, Isaac, Abbey, Zoie, Conner, and Trenton:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to Ed Chittim for his contributions to the United States Navy Seabees, and in wishing him only the very best as he continues to serve as an inspiration to all those who know and love him; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Ed Chittim, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative James Viebrock
District No. 134

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3962, adopted July 11, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker